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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW &
PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE OF

PIYUSH V. PATEL, M.D. License No. MA39285

TO PRACTICE MEDICINE AND SURGERY IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Administrative Action

CONSENT ORDER OF VOLUNTARY SURRENDER OF LICENSURE

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners upon receipt of information revealing the following:

- 1. Respondent, Piyush V. Patel, M.D., is the holder of License No. MA39285 and was licensed to practice medicine and surgery in the State of New Jersey from 1987 until 1997 after which time Respondent permitted that license to lapse.
- 2. On or about August 28, 1999, the Texas State Board of Medical Examiners ("Texas Board") issued a Consent Order requiring Respondent to pay an administrative penalty in the amount of two



thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) based on Respondent's failure to maintain adequate medical records on a patient.

- 3. On or about October 30, 2000, the New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct ("New York Board") issued a Consent Agreement and Order based on the above action taken by the Texas Board and Respondent was issued a fine in the amount of two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500).
- 4. On or about October 4, 2002, in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas, Abilene Division, Respondent was found guilty, based on a plea of guilty, of Misprision of Felony in violation of 18 USC §4, and was sentenced to three (3) years probation. Respondent was ordered to pay a fine in the amount of five thousand dollars (\$5,000), the costs of prosecution in the amount of one million dollars (\$1,000,000), and a special assessment fee in the amount of one hundred dollars (\$100). The action taken against Respondent was based on Respondent's misrepresentations to the United States Department of Agriculture, the Department of Labor, and the United States Immigration and Naturalization Service about a physician issued a J-1 Visa.
- 5. On or about October 20, 2003, the New York Board filed a Statement of Charges against Respondent alleging that Respondent violated New York Education Law §6530 (9)(ii), based on Respondent's conviction on October 4, 2002 of committing an act constituting a

crime under federal law. On or about October 29, 2003, the New York Board entered a Surrender Order adopting the terms and conditions of the agreement executed by Respondent on October 17, 2003, wherein Respondent agreed to surrender his license to practice medicine in the State of New York. Pursuant to the Surrender Order, Respondent agreed not to contest the charge set forth in the Statement of Charges filed against him.

- 6. On or about April 8, 2005, the Texas Board entered a Final Order revoking Respondent's license to practice medicine, staying the revocation and placing Respondent on probation for a term of ten (10) years. The action taken by the Texas Board was based on Respondent's Misprision of Felony conviction on October 4, 2002.
- 7. On or about May 3, 2005, in the United States District Court for the Western District of Texas, Midland Odessa Division, Respondent was found guilty, based on a plea of guilty, of defrauding Medicare, a felony in violation of Title 18 USC §1347.
- 8. On or about August 26, 2005, the Texas Board entered an Agreed Order revoking Respondent.'s license to practice medicine in the State of Texas. The action taken against Respondent by the Texas Board was based on Respondent's felony convictions pursuant to Tex. Occ. Code Ann. §164.051(a)(1), §164.051(a)(2), §164.051(a)(6), §164.052(a)(5) and §164.053(a)(1).

It appearing that Respondent wishes to resolve this matter without formal proceedings and for good cause shown,

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS on this 9TH day of MARCH, 2006, ORDERED AND AGREED THAT:

- 1. Respondent's license to practice medicine in the State of New Jersey shall be and is hereby voluntarily surrendered for a period of five (5) years from the entry of this Order, without prejudice to Respondent's ability to apply for reinstatement after the five (5) year term has lapsed.
- 2. Respondent shall cease and desist from any practice of medicine and surgery in the State of New Jersey immediately upon entry of this Order and shall surrender his original license certificate within thirty (30) days of the entry of this Order.
- 3. In the event that Respondent seeks reinstatement of his New Jersey license to practice medicine and surgery after five (5) years have lapsed from the entry of this Order, Respondent shall be required to appear before the Board or a committee thereof, to demonstrate fitness to resume practice, to show that Respondent has satisfied all requirements of any sister state order or criminal disposition(s) and that his license to practice medicine in the State of Texas has been restored without any restrictions. Respondent shall also demonstrate that he has satisfied the requirements for the reinstatement of a lapsed license pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-7.2. The Board reserves the right to place

restrictions on Respondent's practice should Respondent's license be reinstated. Any practice of medicine in this State prior to reinstatement of licensure by the Board shall constitute grounds for the charge of unlicensed practice.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS PORT IND, MP 1/3

BY

Sindy Paul, M.D. Board President

I have read and understand the within Consent Order and agree to be bound by its terms. Consent is hereby given to the Board to enter this Order.

Piyush V. Patel', M.D.

7-16-06

Consent as to form and entry:

Timothy Weitz Attorney at Law Dato